

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 20 is new.

Support for each amended and new claim is found at the originally filed claims and throughout the specification.

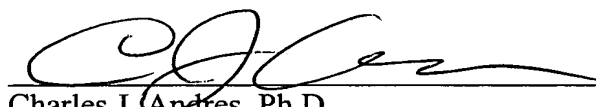
Upon entry of the amendment, Claims 1-20 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added.

An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.
Norman F. Oblon



Charles J. Andres, Ph.D.
Attorney of Record
Registration No. 57,537

Customer Number

22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000
Fax: (703) 413 -2220
(OSMMN 03/06)
CJA/rac